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THE MARINE COURT.

The following cases heard at the Marine Court to-day by Commander Basil Taylor, R.N.

The master of the steam launch "Kwong To" was charged by P. C. McMillan, 47, with carrying sixty persons in excess of the number allowed by license. The constable said that on December 4th he found 140 persons on the launch, not including children. In the engine room there was 6 in. of water over the stokehold plates. A fine of \$250 or 6 months was imposed.

For anchoring a junk in the fairway of the harbour a junk owner was fined \$6 at the instance of Mr. A. E. Davey, Officer.

Mr. S. M. Meyer's yacht boy was fined \$3 for failing to exhibit a light on the yacht "Bat."

A similar fine was imposed upon yacht boys for not exhibiting a light on the "White Rose" and "Lily," also belonging to Mr. Meyer.

Mr. E. A. Beaumont's yacht boy was fined \$3 for not showing a light on the yacht "Lyebeth."

For anchoring a boat to the west of the Prince of Wales Rocks, a boatman was fined \$5.

A fine of \$7.50 was imposed upon a junk master for anchoring about in the harbour between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on the 8th December without a permit, and also refusing to stop when requested by P. C. Joy, 135. The alternative to the fine was three weeks' hard labour.

The change from a Republican to a Democratic President in the United States is not thought likely to effect any material change in America's attitude to China and the Far East generally. It is suggested that Washington may play a less energetic part in the Council of the Six-Nations Group when the question of Chinese loans comes up.

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Intimations.

Our Teeth.

It has long been scientifically demonstrated that the teeth are destroyed by chemical and bacterial influences. A whole literature exists proving beyond the possibility of doubt that it is impossible to preserve the teeth without keeping the mouth antiseptically clean and in a healthy condition; that is to say, free from microbes and fermentation processes.

But in spite of all this the majority of us confine the care of our teeth to brushing them with tooth-powders or tooth-pastes, as if the whole art of keeping the teeth in good condition merely depended on superficially cleansing them from impurities, just as dust is removed from china. The teeth are discoloured, injured, and ultimately brought into peril by something far more serious than dust that can be brushed off—by microbes and processes of fermentation. And it is necessary to combat these processes in the only way in which they can be combated, that is, by antiseptics, which must be liquid antiseptics that will wash the whole mouth.

A single moment's reflection should convince everybody that only the external surface of the teeth can be reached with preparations like tooth-powders or tooth-pastes, for our teeth are not so obliging as to decay only in places where we can conveniently reach them with the brush. On the contrary, the mischief mostly begins in those localities which are difficult of access, such as the backs of the molars, in the cracks and crevices in and between the teeth, and other cavities. Thus it is self-evident that in order to protect the teeth from injury, and to keep them sound, it is absolutely indispensable to use an antiseptic fluid which will reach all parts of the mouth and teeth, penetrate the hollows, pass between the crevices, enter the fissures, antiseptically cleanse the backs of the molars, and, in short, be effective everywhere.

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CHINESE POLITICS AND FINANCE.

Interview with Mr. J. O. P. Bland.

Mr. J. O. P. Bland, who is proceeding to America to lecture on Far Eastern politics and economics at the Lowell Institute of Harvard, at Cornell and other universities, accorded an interview to a representative of the "Pail Mall Gazette" just prior to his departure. Mr. Bland intimated that he had written a book on "Recent Events and Present Policies in China," which will be published by Heinemann shortly. Questioned as to the real issues of the question have been so confused, partly through ignorance, and partly through interested motives, that their extrication seems almost hopeless. To put the matter briefly, the real British interests at stake, the interests of British traders, manufacturers, and especially of investors, have been, and are being, in Mr. Bland's opinion, continually confused with the profit-making interests of financiers. They have been sacrificed to the exigencies of a political situation which clearly reflects the growth of German power in Europe, and which renders it necessary for Great Britain to avoid complications in the Far East. He went on to state:

"Mr. Birch Crip's plan did not provide for adequate supervision of expenditure. The question of the Salt Gabelle as security for the bondholders is merely a herring drawn by the Chinese across the main track. Those who advocate the open door for finance in China, regardless of the manner in which loan funds are to be administered, are merely proposing to fatten the cosmopolitan financier, the German financier, and the Chinese mandarin at the ultimate expense of the British investor. The financier does not buy Chinese bonds for himself; he buys them for the public. Careful creditor. Therefore, Sir Edward Grey is only recognising the essential necessities of the situation when he insists on adequate guarantees for proper and useful expenditure."

"While the official British idea of loan funds control is an economic control exercised in China's best interests, Russia and Japan have adopted the same phraseology to cover their political control in Manchuria and Mongolia. England wants to limit the capacity of the mandarin; Russia and Japan want to limit China's sovereign rights."

CHINA'S HELPLESSNESS.

"China is not mistress in her own house. The armed forces of eight nations keep watch over their interests in Peking and guard the way to the sea. The prosperous settlements of Shanghai, Hankow, Tientsin are administered by Europeans. The only reliable asset she has possessed in the European money market for the last thirty years has been the Imperial Maritime Customs, a service under the direct supervision of foreign accountants. The principle of control has been extended, with excellent results, to the northern railways and several other lines built with foreign capital, where every dollar of expenditure is certified by foreign accountants invested with responsibility and authority under the Chinese directors. The latter loans negotiated under the direction of German policy in China, such as the Tientsin-Pukow and Hukang loans, dispensed with those elementary safeguards, and the results were economically disastrous. My point is that China cannot be mistress in her own house, because the house is mortgaged and there is a bill of sale upon the furniture. Also there is no strong man armed on the premises."

"There is no doubt that Yuan Shih-kai, by the exercise of statecraft closely modelled on that of the late Emperor Dowager, has gradually succeeded in concentrating in his own hands the autocratic authority necessary for a ruler in China. The Yellow river has changed its bed, says the Chinese, 'but its waters are still muddy.' Let me remind you of two interesting facts—first, that a year ago the present Vice-President of the Republic, Li Yuan-hung, wrote to Yuan and advised him to seize the Throne; second,

that a President who beheads Republican generals, as Yuan beheaded the Wuhan conspirators in August, is not far removed from the monarchical traditions of China. And the people applaud his action. In other words, you have the old despotisms under new names as structural features of the Chinese Government."

"What about the principle of representative government?" asked the interviewer.

"If we mean by a Republic a form of government based upon popular representation and democratic institutions, it is evidently impossible that either of these should be achieved in China without long and laborious processes of education, necessarily expanding over many years. History and biological science alike emphasize the folly of believing in sudden and radical change in the structural character of the race. The root causes of trouble in China are social and economic in their origin, and to attempt to cure them by political remedies is surely futile. Revolutions and rebellions in China have been for centuries the usual symptoms of acute economic pressure. The fundamental causes of unrest in a population which periodically exceeds its food supplies are the marriage of minors, polygamy, interdependence of clans, and the rigid localisation of large masses of the people as the result of ancestral worship."

RUBBER PLANTING IN SIAM.

The Japanese Consul at Bangkok reports that rubber planting in that country is now in a tentative period, the most favourable districts being the two States of Champan and Segara, on the east coast of the Malay Peninsula, facing the Gulf of Siam. At the south of those two States is a State named Pato-ni, where there are already 300 acres planted with 50,000 Para trees. In Chantaburi State (north-east of Bangkok) rubber planting has also been tried on a large scale. This State resembles the Malay Peninsula in climate and fertility, put, owing to the droughts usual in spring, tapping is later by one or two years than in the case elsewhere. The total area planted in rubber in Siam is estimated at about 3,000 acres, but the enterprise is of such recent date that it has not yet been possible to determine whether it is suited to the country. The opinion is expressed in the official Japanese report that, if suitable locations are selected, Siam will in the future be a good rubber-planting centre, having much uncultivated land, with many of the characteristics of tropical countries. Siam, it will be recalled, is to the north-east of the Malay Peninsula.

LORD ROBERTS AT 80.

"No man could inculcate with better right the lesson of patriotism and physical fitness which is of the essence of the system of national service which he has striven to recommend," says the Times of Lord Roberts, who recently completed his eightieth year. "Experts may differ as to the military value of some features in that scheme, but its moral value, and its influence on physique, are sufficient alone to make its adoption urgent in one or other form."

"The greatest moral which young Englishmen may draw from the example of Lord Roberts' career is precisely that which a system of national military training is most designed to fulfil—the duty of 'keeping fit' for national ends. With all his genius and capacity for work, the secret of Lord Roberts' sixty years of public service has been, we think, the constancy with which he has kept his faculties trained to meet the most sudden call of duty."

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Butcher Meat.

Beef Sirloin & Prime Cut—Mal Long	lb	20
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yek	"	20
" Roast—Shiu	"	20
" Breast—Nagu Lam	"	18
" Soup—Tong Yuk	"	15
" Steak—Ngau Yek Pa	"	20
" Sirloin Coton—Ngau Lau	"	30
" Sausage—Ngau Chong	"	24
Hullock's Brains—Know	per wt	9
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li	each	45
" Corned—Ham Ngau L.	"	20
" Heart—Ngau Sum	"	18
" Hump Salt—Ngau Kiu	"	18
" Feet—Ngau Kark	each	2
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	"	9
" Tail—Ngau Mei	"	18
" Liver—Ngau Kiu	lb	12
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	"	6
Calve Head & Feet—Ngau-chai-tan-kark	set	1
Mutton Chop—Young Pei Kwai	lb	22
" Leg—Young Pei	"	22
" Shoulder—Young Shan	"	20
Pigs Chittlings—Chu Chong	"	22
" Brains—Chu Know	per set	24
" Feet—Chu Kark	lb	12
" Fry—Chu Chai	"	25
" Head—Chu Tau	"	15
" Heart—Chu Sum	each	13
" Kidneys—Chu Yiu	"	9
" Liver—Chu Con	lb	30
Pork Chop—Chu Pak Kwai	"	20
" Corned—Ham Chu Yek	"	20
" Leg—Chu Poi	"	24
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	"	15
Sheep Head & Feet—Young Tau Kark	set	1
" Heart—Young Sum	each	6
" Kidneys—Young Yiu	"	9
" Liver—Young Con	lb	24
Sucking Pig, To Order—Chu Chai	"	22
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	"	20
" Mutton—Sang Young Yau	"	22
Veal—Ngau Chai Yek	"	20
" Sausage—Ngau Chai Chong	"	20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai	lb	30
Capon, Large, mall—Sin Kai	"	28
Ducks—Ap	"	24
Doves—Pan Kau	"	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per doz	24
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb	32
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	"	28
Geese—Nga	"	24
Goose, Wild—Shang-he Ya Ngai pau	"	24
Musks Deer—Wong Keng	each	—
Hare, Shanghai—Tu Chai	"	65
Partridge—Che Khoo	"	80
Pheasant—Shan Kai	pair	\$1.50
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip	each	30
" Hoihow—Hoi Hoi Pak Kip	"	24
Quail—Um Chun	"	15
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheur	dozen	—
Snipe—Sa Choy	each	22
Turkeys—Phor Kai King	lb	60
" Hen	"	45
Wild Ducks, Shanghai—Shang-hoi Sai Ap	lb	\$1.20
Teal—Sai Ap Chai	"	45
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang-Shing Sai Ap	lb	90

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu	"	8
Bream—Bin Yu	"	15
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	"	15
Carp—Li Yu	"	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	"	18
Codfish—Mun Yu	"	17
Crabs—Hoi	"	20
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu	"	15
Dab—Sa Mung Yu	"	15
Dace—Wong Mei Lun	"	8
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa	"	8
Cels, Conger—Hoi Mann	"	15
" Fresh water—Tam Sin Y	"	15
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	"	24
Frogs—Tiu Kai	"	32
Garoupe—Sak Pan	"	26
Gudgeon—Pak Kip Yu	"	12
Herrings—Tio Pak	"	18
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kip	"	28
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu	"	15
Loach—Wu Yu	"	25
Lobsters—Lung Ha	"	25
Mackerel—Chi Yu	"	24
Musk Fish—Mung Yu	"	28
Mullet—Chi Yu	"	28
Oysters—San Co	"	20
Patrolfish—Kai Kung Yu	"	15
Perch—Tiu Loo	"	15
Pike—Fa Hui Pong	"	15
Plaice—Pan Yu	"	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	"	10
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	"	22
Prawn—Ming	"	48
Ray—Kai Pi Sa	"	8
Roach Fish—Kai Pi Kung	"	14
Roach—Chiu Yu	"	10

肉食

Salmon—Ma Yiu Yu	"	35
Shark—Se Yu	"	8
Shark—Po Yu	"	9
Shrimps—Ha	"	20
Snapper—Lap Yu	"	24
Soles—Tat Sa Yu	"	18
Tench—Wan Yu	"	15
Turbot—Cho Hoi Yu	"	20
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kork Yu	"	66
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai	"	—

Fruits.

Almonds—Hung Yu	"	75
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	"	20
" (Chicoo)—Tiu Chun Ping Kho	"	—
" Small—Hoi Tong	"	—
" Custard—Yan Lai Chai	each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Hoi Shing	"	5
Bananas, (brides), Macao—San Heng Chai	"	4
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fung Lau	"	12
Cambola—Young Tui	"	8
Coconuts—Yeh Tse	each	19
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	lbs	6
" America—Kum San Ning Moong	"	8
Lichies Dried—Lai Chi, small Stone	lb	30
" Fresh—	"	—
Limes (Siam)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	each	—
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Moong	"	—
Mangosteens—San Chuk Tse	"	40
Oranges, (Canton)—San-shing Tiu Ching	lb	5
Oranges Sweet	"	6
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shook I	"	—
" (Canton), Cooking—Sai Yu	"	10
Peanuts—Fa Sang	"	15
Pineapples Large—Hung Chai	"	8
" Pineapples, 1st quality—Poon Yip Law each	10	8
" 2nd—	—	—
Plantain—Tiu Chai	lb	—
Plums—Swatow, Hung Lai	"	—
Pumpkin, Siam—Chiu Lo Yau	each	12
" Shanghai—Lo Kwai	"	—
Walnuts—Hop Tui	lb	12
" Green—Sang Hop Tui	"	—
Water Melon—Kam San Sai Kwa	each	—
" (China) Sai Kwa	"	—
Orapes—Sang Po Tai Tse	lb	25

Vegetables &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheng-hoi An	"	15
Chi Chai	"	15
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau	"	13
" (French), Shanghai—Sheng Hoi Pin Lau	"	10
" Sprout—Ah Cho	"	6
" Long—Tau Ko	"	—
Best Root—Hung Chai Tan	each	5
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yau	"	5
" Red—Hung Yek	"	6
Cabbage, Chinese, com—Kai Choy	"	10
Cabbage Red—Hung Ya Choy	"	—
Cabbage, Shanghai—Yeh Chai	"	—
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kai Shun	lb	10
Cauliflower, Large size—Tat Yeh Cho Fa	each	15
" Medium size—Cheung Yeh Cho Fa	"	12
" Small size—Sai Yek Chai Fo	"	10
Carrots—Kam Shun	"	15
Celery, Chinese—Tung Kan Chai	"	8
" En—ish—Yung	"	5
Chillies Dried—Gon Lat Chiu	"	25
" Red—Hung Yek	"	15
" Green—Ching Lo Chiu	"	10
Curry Stuff, English—Kai Lee Chai	"	10
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	"	2
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	"	6
Garlic—Que Tau	"	8
Ginger, young—Sun Tse Kung	"	5
" old—Lo Kung	"	6
Horseradish, Shanghai—Luk Kwa	"	12
Indian Corn—Sak Mai	"	15
Lettuce—Young Sang Chai	"	1
Water Cress—Ha Tai	"	15
" Mandarin—Kwai Lum Ma Tai	"	6
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Koo	"	—
Musk Melon, Amer—Kam San Hong Kwa	each	—
Okra—	"	15
Caulina, Bombay—Young Chong Tan	"	6
" Green—Sang Chong	"	6
" Shanghai—Shang-hoi Chong Tse	"	6
Papaw, 1st qual—Tat Man Sai Kwa	each	10
" 2nd—	—	—
Parley—Kam Cho	"	8
Green Peas—Ching Tan	"	—
Potatoes, Sweet—Fai Shu	"	3
" Shanghai—Shang-hoi Chai	"	—
" Japan—Yut Poon Shu Tai	"	—
" American—Fa Ki	"	—
Poonchoy—Fook-chow Shu Tai	"	—
Pumpkin—Tung Kwa	"	8
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tai	"	1
Rhishab (French)—Tat Won	"	—
Sage—Tat So	"	—
Spinach—Gon Chai Tau	"	8
Spinach—Yin Chai	"	7
Tomatoes—Fan Tai	"	6
Taro—Wu Tan	"	5
Turnips, Panki, (Long)—Lo Pak	"	4
" English—Young Lo Pak	"	—
Vegetable Marrow—Chi Kwa	"	1
" (Am)—Kum San Chai Kw	"	—
Water Cress—Sai Jung Chai	"	15
" Lily root—Lai Ngau	"	5
Yam—Tat Shu	"	2

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According to Reuters, the Canadian Liberal caucus merely wish to be assured that the gift is justified by the necessity of the case; and they add, in effect, that as from Mr. Churchill's Memorandum no such necessity seems to have arisen, they consider that such a step as is proposed should not be entered upon until there is some reason for belief that the emergency justifies the action. This of course, is absurd, and reminds one of the homely proverb of locking the stable when the horse has been stolen. We are of opinion that the Liberals are not serious in their opposition, and that their amendment is a mere formal procedure signifying nothing. The Canadian Liberals would repudiate with scorn even the slightest allusion to their being less loyal than their confreres in the Cabinet. The recent utterances of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the leader of the Opposition, give the lie direct to this idea most emphatically. Of course the caucus referred to may, in a vain effort to bring themselves into prominence, attempt to raise objections to the Government's proposal. Little attention need be paid to the matter, now that it has been mentioned. Canada has shown, and gives every indication of showing, that she will never fail in establishing even more solidly than at present the integrity of the Empire of which she is so important a part—and is yet destined to be infinitely more important—and that in the proper maintenance of the Empire's defensive forces—at least of the Navy—she is prepared to show not only her loyalty but her ability and willingness to assist generously.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Japanese cruiser *Taigun* arrived in the harbour this morning.

The English Mail of the 5th November was delivered in London on the 7th December.

A boy was ordered ten strokes of the birch by Mr. Melbourne to-day for hawking vegetables in a prohibited area.

Mr. Zoku Kaniya has been appointed Manager in Hongkong of the Osaka Shoen Kaisha, taking control as from the 9th instant, the present manager having been transferred to the head office at Osaka.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1912.

CANADA'S PRINCELY GIFT.

THE importance of this subject, not only to Britons but to the world at large, justifies, we think, considerably more comment than any other topic that is at present looming large in the public mind. We have already referred to the enhanced glory that such an addition to the British Navy will bring, and how, in fact, and to an extent such as has never before been witnessed in the World's history, a truly Imperial Navy is thus being created, making not only for the solidarity of the British Empire but as surely standing forth, in these degenerate days when might so often dominates right, as the best safeguard for universal peace.

As was to be expected, a chorus of approval has been accorded Canada from other parts of the Empire, and, doubtless, our good friends the French, Russians and Japanese also feel a similar elation, though finding it politic to make no outward show of their admiration. Throughout the Empire unqualified approval has been expressed that Canada should consider it her duty to contribute in so generous a manner—approval that has in no way been marred by the apparently adverse views of the Opposition of the Canadian House of Commons.

Opposition was, of course, to be expected from such a quarter, and the terms in which it is stated amounts practically to agreement with the Conservative Administration which is at present in power, who, of course, have brought forward the magnificent proposal, which has evoked so much jubilation throughout the Empire, and, no doubt, not a little consternation in certain European Chambers.

The following is the programme of the Organ Recital to be given in St. John's Cathedral to-morrow afternoon at 5.30 p.m. The Organ-recital is the first movement from Elgar's *Enigma* in G major for Organ, Bach's *Prelude* and Fugue in E minor, the *Bach* from Sterndale Bennett's fourth Concerto, and the *Vivante* from Tchaikovsky's *Pavane* in D major. Miss Walker will sing *Dorothy Foster's* "Ere we have used," and Miss Lockhart will play *Frederick's* *Sarabande*. The two soloists will be heard together in an *Excerpt from Elgar's* *Enigma* in G major. This is the last recital of the present series. The new series will start next month when the soloist will be Mrs. Gask.

SOMETHING DEPENDABLE.

CHABERLAIN'S Organ Recital. Never before has there been so much jubilation throughout the Empire, and, no doubt, not a little consternation in certain European Chambers.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Rail is to have \$78,000 next year for drainage and water supply.

Three men were fined \$5 each at the Magistracy to-day for trespassing on the railway at Yau-mat.

Lieut. L. Spencer, 2 Indian officers and 82 rank and file, 8th Rajputa, proceeded to Lou on 8th instant.

Lieutenant John W. Orange-Broomhead is seconded for employment with the Army Signal Service.

The U.S.S. *Rainbow*, with Rear-Admiral Nicholson on board, left for Canton yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Melbourne fined three men \$1 each for street hawking at the Police Court to-day. The men had been crying their wares.

The quantity of gold exported from the F.M.S. in October was 1,022 ounces, making the total exported to date this year 10,077 ounces.

The annual dinner of the Straits Settlements Association takes place at the Whitehall Rooms, Hotel Metropole, to-night. Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, will be present.

Letters of administration for the benefit of King Vajiravudh have been granted to the Siam Minister in London on the Chulalongkorn estate in England, which is worth £111,839 sterling.

Before Mr. Hazland at the Magistracy to-day, eleven coolies were charged with playing licensed public vehicles for hire without having drivers' licenses. The men had been running night and day. They were fined \$5 each.

In October, 3,210,831 lbs. of cultivated rubber were exported from the F.M.S., making the total export during the year to the end of that month 27,912,613 lbs., an increase of 12,469,459 lbs. on the similar period of 1911.

Several Japanese steamers bound from Saigon with rice from Japan have been forced to make Hongkong a port of call to replenish their bunker supply. The weather conditions absolutely preventing their proceeding north.

The weekly health bill for the colony reports two Chinese cases of diphtheria (one in the city and one from the district), both of which were fatal. There were three cases of enteric, one being Chinese, one German, and one Austrian. One Chinese has died of smallpox.

At the Magistracy this afternoon Mr. Melbourne resumed the hearing of the evidence in the case in which a Chinese is charged with forging power of attorney and thereby converting to his own use money legacied to his brother under their father's will.

Sir W. Garstin, a director of the Suez Canal Company, has announced that immediate steps will be taken for deepening the waterway from its present depth of 36ft. to 38ft. in order to meet the conditions of deeper draft of steamers that are being built for the trade.

Before Mr. Melbourne to-day a Chinese was charged with being in unlawful possession of a rifle and six boxes of cartridges. It was stated that the defendant was bringing the things to a friend as a present from America, and he did not know he was doing wrong. The defendant was fined \$100 or six weeks.

Four men were charged before Mr. Melbourne this morning by Detective-Sergeant Floyed with keeping a gambling house and selling lottery tickets. The defendants were represented by Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, and Mr. Faithfull, and a remand was ordered, bail in \$250 being allowed.

Mr. Melbourne had before him this morning at the Magistracy four coolies from the Peak, who were charged with refusing to carry two fares, one of whom was Lieutenant Fenner, of H.M.S. *Bosario*. The men pleaded guilty to the charge, and they were fined fifty cents each.

The record of arrivals of *Qian*-going shipping has been broken during the last week, no less than 72 steamers entering in the last four days. The greatest previous record being 69. During the first week in December 112 ocean-going steamers entered at the Harbour Office, which also broke all previous records.

The *Star* (Messrs. Jensen and Co., agents) which arrived this morning from Hongkong and Hualow reports sighting a big "jumbo" mast protruding about 30 feet from the water in Lat. 21° 41' N., long. 119° 44' E. The *Star* reports bearing N.W. by W. and south end of Kolkuk Strait, E. by N. The "jumbo" is in the track of steamer and constitutes a danger to navigation.

The *Star* (Times) states that Mr. James Arthur Delany, formerly of Singapore, was found dead hanging by his "brass" in a bedroom of the *Atlantic Hotel*, Newquay. His agent the previous day was waiting for Mr. Delany, who was expected to arrive from the *Star* and local, which was the last seen of him. He was found hanging from the top of the bed, and his body was found in a pool of blood.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

H.K.C.C. v. THE FLEET.

Playing on the Hongkong Cricket Club's ground on Saturday the Club beat the Fleet by 46 runs in a game noticeable for the moderate scores made by both teams. Most of the batsmen reached two figures but T. E. Pearce's 25 was the best score made. R. Hancock hit three sixes.

The scores were—

THE NAVY.			
Mid. Oliver, b. Dodwell	...	...	6
E. R. A. Poole, b. Dodwell	...	...	0
Eng. L. C. Smith, b. Dodwell	...	...	0
L. A. Wace, c. Pearce, b. Donnelly	...	...	19
C. P. O. Nell, b. Claxton	...	...	23
L. A. Hanton, R. M. L. L., c. Gillingham, b. Dodwell	...	...	9
F. L. Pay, c. Claxton, b. Donnelly	...	...	11
Rev. Hastings, c. Hancock, b. Donnelly	...	...	0
Mid. Smalley, not out	...	...	13
Sub. L. Buxton, c. Stephenson-Jellie, b. Donnelly	...	...	0
Mid. Phillips, b. Claxton	...	...	8
Extras	...	...	15
Total	...	...	106

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
S. H. Dodwell	10	3	32	3
E. A. Fowler	4	3	11	1
D. E. Donnelly	10	2	29	4
A. A. Claxton	6.3	2	18	2
Fowler bowled one wide.				

HONGKONG.

T. E. Pearce, c. Smith, b. Hastings	...	...	25
W. W. Stephenson-Jellie, c. and b. Hanton	...	...	14
S. H. Dodwell, c. Buxton, b. Hanton	...	...	14
R. P. Thurstfield, b. Hastings	...	...	2
A. H. Gillingham, b. Pearson	...	...	19
H. Hancock, c. Oliver, b. Hastings	...	...	18
E. A. Fowler, b. Hastings	...	...	0
R. Hancock, c. Smalley, b. Hanton	...	...	21
M. M. Maas, l.b.w. b. Pearson	...	...	5
A. A. Claxton, not out	...	...	21
E. D. Donnelly, b. Hanton	...	...	5
Extras	...	...	7
Total	...	...	151

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hastings	14	2	45	4
Hanton	11.4	0	62	4
Wace	2	0	10	0
Pearson	3	0	27	2
Wace bowled one wide.				

KOWLOON 'B' v. CIVIL SERVICE.

This match, played at Kowloon on Saturday, resulted in a draw, though a handsome Moral Victory for Kowloon.

The scores were—

KOWLOON.			
N. L. Raiton, c. Lindell, b. Edmonds	...	...	20
L. N. Whyte, retired	...	...	32
L. J. Blackburn, retired	...	...	44
Capt. Robertson, b. Phillips	...	...	38
H. E. Goldsmith, retired	...	...	14
G. Wolf	...	...	1
D. J. Mackenzie	...	...	1
N. Croucher	...	...	3
H. Scott	...	...	1
H. Overy	...	...	1
E. J. Edwards	...	...	12
Extras	...	...	12
Total (for 2 wickets)	...	...	159

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Edmonds	11	1	45	1
Blackburn	5	0	34	0
Foster	6	0	17	0
Sar	2	0	11	0
Lindell	2	0	10	0
Lee Jones	3	0	26	0
Phillips	2	0	10	1

CIVIL SERVICE.

J. H. Higginbotham, c. Raiton, b. Scott	...	...	3
R. Phillips, c. Wolf, b. Goldsmith	...	...	0
R. E. Lindell, b. Scott	...	...	1
J. W. Lee Jones, run out	...	...	0
A. Foster, c. Scott, b. MacKenzie	...	...	23
C. Sar, c. Raiton, b. Wolf	...	...	9
J. G. Douglas, not out	...	...	9
N. H. Elmonds	...	...	1
A. Bradbury, did not bat	...	...	1
J. Spittles	...	...	1
Extras	...	...	1
Total	...	...	44

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Goldsmith	6	1	11	1
Scott	5	3	5	2
Overy	2	0	9	0
Robertson	2	0	9	0
MacKenzie	2	0	5	1
Wolf	2	1	2	1
Blackburn	1	0	2	0

League Cricket.

Kowloon O. C. v. HONGKONG POLICE.

In this league encounter, the only one played last Saturday, Kowloon beat the Police on the latter's own ground by 25 runs. Mr. J. P. Robinson, contributed a useful 29 for the winners.

The scores were—

KOWLOON.			
F. Sutton, b. Kent	...	...	10
W. S. Dixon, b. McLennan	...	...	6
A. B. Ryan, b. McLennan	...	...	6
A. B. Ryan, b. King	...	...	7
A. B. Ryan, run out	...	...	3
B. D. Evans, b. King	...	...	13
J. P. Robinson, c. Cooper, b. King	...	...	29
J. W. Wace, b. Bartholomew	...	...	2
W. L. Townsend, c. P. b. Bartholomew	...	...	2
P. W. Wilkie, b. Bartholomew	...	...	0
W. Curwen, not out	...	...	3
Extras	...	...	1
Total	...	...	80

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kent	8	3	27	2
McLennan	6	2	23	2
King	8	3	27	2
Bartholomew	2	0	10	0
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THE WAR.

SIX HOURS' BATTLE AT ADRIANOPLE.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
A telegram from Constantinople states that the Veli of Adrianople in a telegram despatched on the 4th instant stated that all the forces of the enemy on the night of the 3rd assaulted the city on four sides, but were repulsed after a terrible battle lasting for six hours.
It is reported that Adrianople has only provisions for fifteen days.

GREEK VICTORIES.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens telegraphs that the Greeks from Epirus have occupied Santi Quaranta, Delvino, and Argyrocastro.

GREEK SQUADRON OFF THE DARDANELLES.

The authorities at the Dardanelles report that a Greek squadron of six ships was sighted off the Straits on Saturday afternoon.

TURKS' BREACH OF FAITH.

A message from Cetinje states that notwithstanding the armistice the Turks at Tarabosch attacked the Montenegrins, who, however, did not return the fire.

A COMPLIMENT FROM THE TSAR.

A message from St. Petersburg states that the Grand Duke Nikolai Mikhailovitch has left for Bucharest to present the King of Roumania with the baton of a field marshal in the Russian army.

INTERNATIONAL SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Reuter's correspondent at Vienna telegraphs that it is semi-officially declared that the international situation is unchanged, as despite the repeated admissions of Russia, the attitude of Serbia is still doubtful owing to the predominance of the military party. It is reported that the Serbians have mounted several batteries on the Danube opposite Orsova.

A GREEK DIPLOMATIC RUSE.

Greek diplomatic circles in London announce that notwithstanding existing animosity among the Allies, and that the arrangements for the armistice were settled in the general interest of the Allies. This lends colour to the suggestion that the substitution of Greece from signing the armistice was a diplomatic ruse to make the Turks concede more advantageous terms to Bulgaria while enabling the blockade of the Aegean Sea to be maintained.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

It has been arranged that the peace negotiations will be conducted at St. James' Palace.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS.

STILL BOOMING.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
The trade returns for last month show increases in imports amounting to £5,601,059 and in exports amounting to £2,371,996. The increase in imports is represented to the extent of £2,988,037 by raw cotton. Exports the increases are principally in coal (£818,379) and steel manufactures (£529,125).

ANOTHER RAILWAY STRIKE.

THREE THOUSAND MEN OUT.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
Three thousand railwaymen in the service of the North-Eastern Railway are on strike, owing to the Company's refusal to reinstate to his former position an engine-driver convicted in a police court of drunkenness. The train service has been curtailed by more than half the usual number of trains.
In consequence, a stoppage is threatened at the collieries, and a number of football matches have been cancelled.

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CANADA'S GIFT TO THE EMPIRE.

HAILED WITH DELIGHT.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
A telegram from Montreal states that Baron Rothschild has telegraphed his congratulations on the gift of Dreadnoughts, declaring that London would be the clearing house of the world, while the British flag was supreme and universal peace assured.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM NEW ZEALAND.

Reuter's correspondent at Wellington telegraphs that Mr. Massey, the Prime Minister, in a speech congratulating Canada, said that New Zealand's contribution ensured the presence of certain warships, but these were not fighting ships compared with battleships. When the Minister for Defence returned from London the Government would declare its naval policy. If more money was necessary he was confident that New Zealanders would respond worthily to the call.

CANADIAN LIBERAL LEADER'S SPEECH.

A message from Ottawa states that Mr. Rowell, the Liberal leader in the Ontario Legislature, in a non-political speech at Galt, expressed his personal regret that Canada was not maintaining as well as giving the three Dreadnoughts. He would like to have seen the Naval Agreement of 1911 carried out and Canada flying the White Ensign in her own waters and protecting the trade routes and honour and integrity of the Empire as the Commonwealth was doing in Australian waters.

CANADIAN LIBERALS CRITICAL.

Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa telegraphs that the Liberal caucus has appointed a committee representing both Houses of Parliament to formulate an amendment to Mr. Borden's Naval Bill. The caucus are unanimously of the opinion that the Admiralty memorandum clearly established that there was no emergency justifying a departure from Sir Wilfrid Laurier's policy. The Committee advocate a continuance of that policy, and are also unanimous in declaring that the Liberals are willing to vote at least the sum suggested in the Admiralty memorandum for an emergency contribution, but they believed that the vote should be made towards a Canadian naval service in co-operation with the Imperial fleet.

SOUTH AFRICAN VIEWS.

Mr. Botha, Premier of United South Africa, speaking at Grahamstown, said there was no need for nervousness regarding the naval question. Opinion in South Africa was divided as to whether to continue the contribution, give Dreadnoughts, or have her own navy. It was a difficult and delicate question, and he was anxious to take the right course.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN JAPAN.

THE CHANGE IN TEN YEARS.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
The Times, discussing the political situation in Japan, says the issue of the struggle is uncertain, but things must have moved in Japan for it to happen at all. Ten years ago it would have been inconceivable that any Cabinet could offer bold resistance to military dictation.

THE LATE GOVERNOR OF N. BORNEO.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
The North Borneo Company expresses regret at the tragic death of the Governor, Mr. Scott Macdonald, who, as already announced, was killed last week by a fall from his horse. Mr. Aspinall Pearson returns immediately to assume the governorship, and the chairman, Sir West Ridgway, proceeds to the territory early in January.

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GREECE AND VALLONA.

OBJECTIONS BY ITALY AND AUSTRIA.

LONDON, Dec. 9.
A telegram from Rome states that the Italian Foreign Minister has announced that Italy and Austria have informed Greece that they will never consent to the Bay of Vallona and the Island of Saseo belonging to Greece.

There are grounds for hoping that the question will be satisfactorily settled.

DEATH OF SIR GEORGE DARWIN.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
The death is announced of Sir George Darwin, K.C.C., Plumian Professor of Astronomy and Experimental Philosophy at Cambridge since 1883. Sir George was the second son of Darwin, author of "The Origin of Species."

RENEWAL OF THE TRIPLÉ ALLIANCE.

LONDON, Dec. 8.
The Triple Alliance has been renewed without modification.

BRITISH EMPIRE'S DEFENCE FORCES.

MINISTER FOR WAR'S CHEERFUL OUTLOOK.

LONDON, Dec. 7.
Colonel J. E. B. Seely (Minister for War), speaking at Hancor, said: "We are now neither weak nor powerless. We are safer at sea than we have been for a long time. The Army is more efficient and more ready than it has ever been. I am assured to that effect by responsible advisers of the War Office, who are the most qualified to judge. Our entire interests lie in maintaining peace. We seek no new territory."

LANDSLIDE IN HONGKONG.

Four People Killed.

On Saturday afternoon it was reported to the police by a contractor, who was excavating some land for a building site in Conduit Road, that a landslide had taken place, and that three men and a woman had been buried in the debris. Some police and Dr. McKinnon at once went to the place and after some time the bodies of the four persons were recovered, all being dead when taken out of the fallen earth. The men were between the ages of 22 and 27 years. The bodies were all taken to the mortuary. It is supposed that the landslide was caused by the recent wet weather, and the loosening of the ground by blasting operations.

AVIATION AT MACAO.

Projected Flight in Hongkong.

M. Kouzminsky, the Russian aviator, gave an interesting and successful exhibition of flying at Macao yesterday. Several thousand people watched the start in his Blériot monoplane from a spot near the Barrier, there being a large crowd on the ground, the spectators including a number of military and naval officers, and the hills in the vicinity affording a view of the ground were also well occupied.

M. Kouzminsky rose in a surprisingly short distance, and after flying over one of the highest firs in the colony at a height of from 1,600 to 1,800 feet he alighted upon the spot from which he had risen. The aviator was accorded a tremendous ovation for his skillful exhibition.

M. Kouzminsky who it is interesting to note, is a nephew of the late Count Tolstoy, has informed us through his agent that he has obtained permission from H.E. the Governor to give exhibition flights in the New Territory on Saturday and Sunday next. The promoters had some idea of holding the meeting in the Happy Valley, but on reflection consider the place unsuitable.
In the course of an interesting conversation with M. Kouzminsky's agent, a representative of the China Mail learned that the aviator qualified some two and a half years ago at the Blériot school in Paris, and since then he had had considerable experience both in his own country and elsewhere. M. Kouzminsky has flown over 126 miles, of which 50 were in his native country. He has only once met with an accident, a mishap at St. Petersburg from which he escaped with the wrecking of his machine.

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FORTHCOMING ENTERTAINMENTS.

"An Ideal Husband."

ITS AUTHOR.

In 1878 Oscar Wilde, the author of "An Ideal Husband," which is to be produced by local amateurs next week, won the Newdigate prize at Oxford with the poem "Ravenna." He aspired to be the chief biographer of the great movement captured by Ruskin, Rossetti, William Morris, Edward Burne-Jones and others to demonstrate in life the theoretical idea of beauty as set forth by Walter Pater. In one of his great essays Mr. Max Beerbaum says: "Wilde stage-managed the debut of beauty." It has been said that he owed much to his extreme Celtic temperament, and certainly in wit and verbal fencing no dramatist since another and greater Irishman, Sheridan (apologies to G.B.S.) can be compared with him.

In 1882 he went to America and gave no fewer than two hundred addresses on aesthetic philosophy and by 1890 he had achieved a high reputation as author and dramatist. His first dramatic success was won by "Lady Windermere's Fan," in 1892, followed by "A Woman of no Importance" and "An Ideal Husband." His play "Salome" (1893) was written in French, was refused by the French of plays on account of its Biblical subject, but was produced in Paris in 1896. His other books are "The Ballad of Reading Gaol," "De Profundis," "Lord Arthur Savile's Crime," "The Happy Prince and other Tales."

Wilde had just produced a play in London. He said: "English dramatic criticism of our own day has never had a single success in spite of the fact that it goes to all our first nights." Thereupon it was suggested that dramatic criticism was at least influential. "Certainly; that is why it is so bad," Wilde replied; and went on to say: "The moment criticism exercises any influence it ceases to be criticism. The aim of the true critic is to try and chronicle his own moods, not to try and correct the masterpieces of others."

"Real critics would be charming in your eyes, then?" he was asked. "Real critics! Ah, how perfectly charming they would be! I am always waiting for their arrival. An inaudible school would be nice."

"What is your feeling towards your audience—towards the public?"

"Which public? There are as many publics as there are personalities."

"Are you nervous on the night that you are producing a new play?"

"Oh no, I am exquisitely indifferent. My nervousness ends at the last dress rehearsal; I know then what effect my play, as presented upon the stage, has produced upon me. My interest in the play ends there, and I feel curiously envious of the public—they have such wonderful fresh emotions in store for them. It is the public, not the play, that I desire to make a success. The public makes a success when it realises that a play is a work of art. On the three first nights I have had in London the public has been most successful, and had the dimensions of the stage admitted of it, I would have called them before the curtain. Most managers, I believe, call them behind."

DRAMATIC PERSONS.

Following is the cast of the piece.

The Earl of Caversham, E. G. Mowbray S. Northcote.
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The Countess of Basilton, Mrs. W. M. Pyne.
Mrs. Blackmont, Mrs. Lindsay Woods.
Mrs. Chevelley, Mrs. W. Logan.

THE POATSWAIN'S MATE.

We learn that the "Poatswain's Mate," with its accompanying variety entertainment, to be staged at the City Hall on the 13th and 14th inst., promises to be very popular. Wit and natural are all Mr. W. W. Jacobs' forte and this one is no exception. The pair are in the hands of capable artists, most of whom are new to the Hongkong amateur stage, and their past records and the ability they have shown at rehearsals augur well for a successful production. The variety entertainment which forms part of the evening's programme is full of good turns, and the band of H. M. S. Minotaur will play the accompaniments and incidental music. Early booking at Montie's is advised.

MAN FOUND DEAD.

A bricklayer, aged about thirty years, was found dead on the road between two villages in the Chia Wan district on Saturday. From the nature of blunt wounds found on the man's head, it is supposed that he was struck by a man with a bamboo pole. The dead man's money and his clothes, which were wrapped in a bundle, were found close to the body. It is apparently, therefore, that the motive of the attack was not robbery.

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MASONIC INSTALLATION.

The Installation of Officers of the United Service Masonic Lodge for the year 1913, took place on Saturday night at the Masonic Hall, Zealand Street. The Installation was carried out by the R.W.D. Deputy District Grand Master of Hongkong and South China and the Officers of the District Grand Lodge.

The following officers were installed:—
Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. W. B. Withers.

I.P.M., Wor. Bro. W. Kent.

J. W. Bro. F. A. Brown.

Chaplain, Bro. G. Fletcher.

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J. D. Bro. A. Tarrin.

Organist, Bro. E. J. Jenkins.

Directors of Ceremonies, Bro. C. W. Brin, Bro. A. E. Power.

I.G. Bro. C. W. Beard.

Stewards, Bro. H. A. Moore, Bro. H. G. Langdon.

Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone.

After the Installation a banquet was held in the Hongkong Hotel, when over 100 sat down to dinner. The banquet was followed by an excellent musical programme, between the items of which the guests were entertained with musical honours. At 12 a.m. "God Save the King" brought the proceedings to a close.

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Steamers	Captains	Leave
CANADA MARU	K. Hori	Tuesday, 10th Dec. at 2 p.m.
TACOMA MARU	T. Hamada	Thursday, 28th Dec. at 2 p.m.
PANAMA MARU	J. Kano	Saturday, 4th Jan. at 2 p.m.

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Steamer	Captain	Leave
KALIO MARU	Y. Yamamoto	Wednesday, 18th Dec. at 10 a.m.

For TAMSUI via SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamers	Captains	Leave
DAIGI MARU	Y. Somakawa	Sunday, 15th Dec. at 10 p.m.
DALIN MARU	T. Fujisaki	Sunday, 22nd Dec. at 10 a.m.

For ANTING & TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leave
BOSHI MARU	K. Tashira	Friday, 19th Dec. at 8 a.m.

For CANTON (Direct).

Steamer	Captain	Leave
BOSHI MARU	K. Tashira	Sunday, 28th December.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KALING	Dec. 10, at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	SINYOAN	Dec. 11, at 10 a.m.
SAWTOH, AMOY & SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Dec. 11, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Dec. 12, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Dec. 14, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAMING	Dec. 17, at 4 p.m.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TSINGTAU AND CHIN	CHONGSHING	TUESDAY, Dec. 10, Daylight.
SHANGHAI via WATOW, CHOYANG	—	TUESDAY, Dec. 10, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE and KUTSANG	—	FRIDAY, Dec. 13, Daylight.
SINGAPORE & SOURABAYA	TAUSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 14, at Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 14, at 2 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & YATSEING	—	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 18, at Noon.
CALCUTTA	—	—
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	TUESDAY, Dec. 19, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	YUNTSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 21, at 2 p.m.

Shipping.

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Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamer	Leave Colon to	Due Marseilles	Due Plymouth
COLOMBO		MARSEILLES and LONDON		(Monday & Tuesday)	(1 day later)
Steamer	Tons	Steamer	Tons	Saturday	Friday
INDIA	8000	MOULTAN	10000	Feb. 13	Feb. 21
ASSAYE	7500	MAJOBA	12500	Feb. 1	March 7
SIMALAYA	7000	MOOREA	11000	Mar. 15	Mar. 21
DEVANHA	8000	MARMORA	12500	Mar. 29	Mar. 31
INDIA	8000	MEDINA	12500	Apr. 12	Apr. 18
ASSAYE	7500	Through Steamer		Apr. 24	May 2
DEVANHA	8000	MONGOLIA	10000	May 10	May 16
CHINA	8000	MACHONIA	10000	May 24	May 30
		MALWA	11000	June 7	June 13

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.
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Tonnes	about	22	about
SOVARA	7000	January 22	March 5
SUNDA	5000	February 5	March 19
SARDINIA	7000	February 19	March 2
SOMALI	7000	March 5	March 18
SAMUR	7000	March 19	April 2
SARKIN	7000	April 2	April 16
SYANZA	7000	April 16	April 30
SOBE	7000	April 30	May 13
FILE	7000	May 14	May 27

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

Outward	Homeward
For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg
S.S. ARMENIA	S.S. LIBERIA
17th Dec.	16th Dec.
S.S. ALTMARE	For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg
27th Dec.	S.S. SEGOVIA
S.S. SILESIA	19th Dec.
14th Jan.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg
S.S. O.J.D. ABLERS	S.S. ALPSIA
28th Jan.	24th Dec.
S.S. SUEVIA	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg
19th Feb.	S.S. BRASILIA
	9th Jan.
	For Havre & Hamburg
	S.S. SAMBIA
	11th Jan.

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And regularly thereafter.

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CARGO carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (NATAL), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to steamers of the Indian African Line

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Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Cabin passengers. No surtax, no tips, no inside Cabins, excellent cuisine, Doctor, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

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S.S. PERIA, 12500 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, POME and VENICE via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, about 31st December.

S.S. VORWAERTS, 12500 tons, will leave as above about 1st Feb., 1913.
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HAITAN, Capt. J. S. Bosch, TUESDAY, 10th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HAIVANG, Capt. A. E. Hodgins, FRIDAY, 13th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HAICHING, Capt. W. C. Passmore, TUESDAY, 17th Dec., at 11 a.m.STEAMERS
HAITAN, Capt. J. S. Bosch, TUESDAY, 10th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HAIVANG, Capt. A. E. Hodgins, FRIDAY, 13th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HAICHING, Capt. W. C. Passmore, TUESDAY, 17th Dec., at 11 a.m.FOR SWATOW AND RETURN.
(Occupying 3 Days)HAIMUN, Capt. J. W. Evans, WEDNESDAY, 11th Dec., at 11 a.m.
SUNDAY, 15th Dec., at 10 a.m.Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Company's Wharf near Blake Pier.
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MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
EMPIRE	Dec. 13.	Dec. 13th, at Noon.
ST. ALBANS	Dec. 13.	Jan. 4th, at Noon.

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HOMEWARD BOUND Steamers for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Djibouti, Djeddah, Hodeidah, Port Said, Constantinople, Odessa.

OUTWARD BOUND Steamers for Nagasaki and Vladivostok.

The Hongkong Agency of the R. V. F. will also accept cargo and issue through Bills of Lading for all Black and Azor Seas Ports with transshipment at (Macao, and for Hakodate and all ports of Tartarian Strait and Kutchatka, with transshipment at Vladivostok.

Cargo for all European Ports not mentioned in the steamers schedule would not be accepted by this Agency.

The S.S. "VLADIMIR," 8200 R.T., Commander Kamolchuk, bound for Nagasaki and Vladivostok is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the 15th December.

The S.S. "KOURSK," 6,400 R.T., Commander Padalka, Homeward bound, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about 13th day of December, 1912.

The S.S. "EKATERINOSLAV," 6551 R.T., Commander Tidman, Homeward bound, is expected to arrive in Hongkong about the beginning of January, 1913.

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Capt. D. A. LUKHMANOFF,

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HONG KONG, Nov. 11, and 14, Third Floor.

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Hongkong, October 23, 1912.

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8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

8.10 p.m. to 8.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

8.45 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

9.15 p.m. to 11.30 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

SUNDAY.

8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

11.45 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

8.10 a.m. Sunday.

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All matter for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

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